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## **Council District 6**

Melissa Cabello Havrda



Dear Neighbors,

Last week, City Manager Erik Walsh presented the FY2020 proposed budget to City Council. The proposed \$2.9 billion budget provides funding for many priorities that you shared with our office over the past few months.

Highlights from the proposed FY 2020 budget include \$110 million for street maintenance across the city, an additional \$1.3 million to hire 16 more San Antonio Police Officers, and \$34.4 million to develop affordable housing solutions by leveraging funds from community partners. The proposed FY2020 budget also includes the institution of a new \$5,000 homestead exemption with no City property tax increase.

While no budget is perfect, I am extremely pleased that Council has focused our budget priorities on basic quality of life concerns including infrastructure maintenance, public safety, and housing affordability. A number of my specific budget asks - including increased funding for more SAFFE Officers in our neighborhoods - were included in the proposed FY2020 budget.

Over the next few weeks, each City Department will present

their budget before Council for our review. City staff will then adjust the proposed budget based on feedback from Council as well as from input collected from the community through a series of SASpeakUp Town Halls. The schedule for the SASpeakUp Town Halls are as follows:

### SA SpeakUp Town Hall Schedule

Saturday, August 17

12 p.m. – 3:30 p.m.

Traders Village

9333 SW Loop 410

Saturday, August 24

9 a.m. – 11 a.m.

The Rustic at the Rim

17619 La Cantera Pkwy Ste 204

Thursday, August 29

6:30 p.m. – 7:30 p.m.

Telephone Town Hall Meeting

Register at [SASpeakUp.com](https://saspeakup.com)

Since my first day in office, I made a commitment to listen to and work with you on the issues you care about. This is why I want to hear your feedback on the proposed FY2020 budget. You can access the proposed budget at [sanantonio.gov/budget](https://sanantonio.gov/budget). Our office will also make copies of the budget available that you may pick up from the District 6 Field Office located at 8373 Culebra Road, Suite 202. If you have any questions about the proposed FY2020 budget, feel free to reach out to the District 6 Staff by calling 210-207-3749 or emailing us at [district6@sanantonio.gov](mailto:district6@sanantonio.gov).

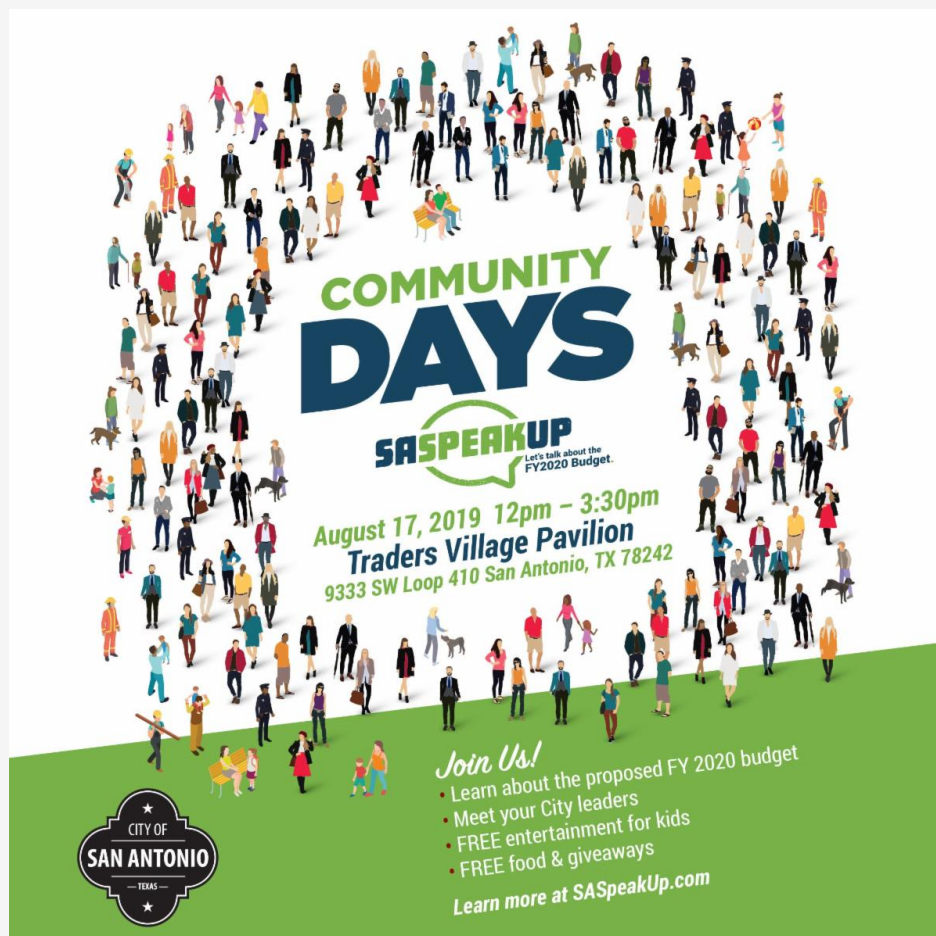
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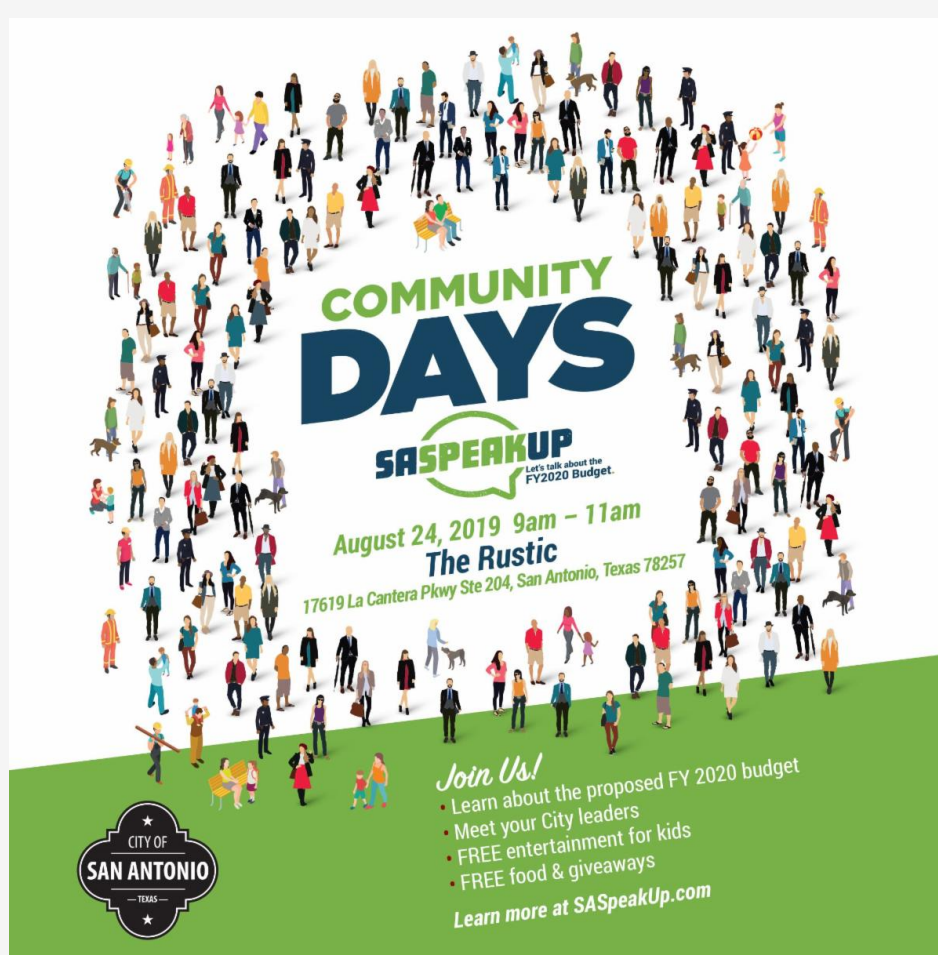
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# SA SpeakUp Budget Town Halls

The City of San Antonio will host its first SASpeakUp Community Day at Traders Village tomorrow, Saturday August 17. The event includes a discussion about the budget, in English and Spanish, with City Manager Erik Walsh and Deputy City Manager María Villagómez, one-on-one interactions with City departments, opportunities to earn prizes, including tickets to Six Flags Fiesta Texas, San Antonio FC, The Witte Museum, San Antonio Museum of Art and The McNay Art Museum and family-friendly activities.

Residents can come and go from noon - 3:30 p.m. Residents will receive free parking by telling booth cashiers they are attending the City of San Antonio's SASpeakUp Event.



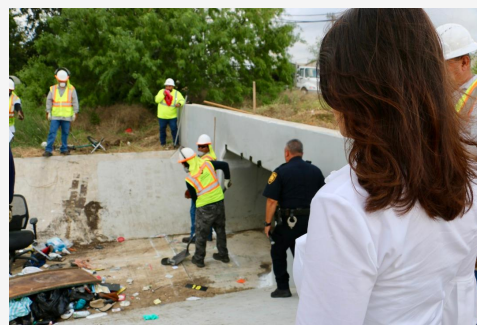


## This Week in District 6



Last Friday, Councilwoman Cabello Havrda delivered backpacks to students for Operation Back to School at the Rosemont at Bethel Place apartments in the Edgewood community.

Students not only received school supplies



Last week, Councilwoman Cabello Havrda and the District 6 Staff joined the Department of Human Services, Transportation and Capital Improvement, the San Antonio Police Department and Sam Ministries as the City



but multiple city and community organizations were also on-site to provide information and resources to families.



removed a homeless encampment located in a drainage ditch on Rogers Road near the Culebra intersection.

City Staff and Sam Ministries made contact with multiple homeless individuals during the process and offered relocation services. The District 6 Office will continue to monitor these areas as the City continues to address homelessness with care and compassion.



Councilwoman Cabello Havrda assisted the Transportation and Capital Improvements Department in completing the Richland Hills street preservation project as construction crews striped the street late last week.



This week District 6 Staff and volunteers from the United States Military stuffed over 600



Councilwoman Cabello Havrda joined the other female council members on a panel for the 4th Annual Back to School Conference and Boutique hosted by Girls Incorporated San Antonio.

backpacks with composition books, pencils, markers and more for the District 6 Back to School Drive.

Whereas the task might have taken a full day to complete, our service members and the District 6 team stuffed the backpacks in just two hours! We thank them for their service to our country and our community.



## CPS and Nissan Partner on Nissan LEAF Rebate

Starting on Monday, August 12, 2019, Nissan North America and CPS Energy are partnering to provide CPS customers and employees with a rebate, up to \$3,500, on the purchase price of a new 2019 Nissan LEAF electric vehicle (EV). The rebate is funded by Nissan and runs through September 30, 2019.



# Rebate on 2019 Nissan LEAF®



Starting MSRP: **\$29,990<sup>1</sup>**  
CPS Energy Customer: **B81776**



As shown 2019 LEAF S Plus  
starting at **\$36,550<sup>1</sup>**

## Up to **\$3,500** Special Nissan LEAF Rebate<sup>2</sup>

FOR ELIGIBLE CUSTOMERS PROOF OF ELIGIBILITY REQUIRED<sup>3</sup>

Eligible customers can receive **\$3,500** rebate<sup>2</sup>  
off MSRP on 2019 LEAF + up to **\$7,500**  
potential Federal tax incentive<sup>3</sup>

**Up to \$11,000 in Total Savings!**

Additional state and local benefits may also be available<sup>3</sup>



Eligible customers can receive **\$2,500** rebate<sup>2</sup>  
off MSRP on 2019 LEAF Plus + up to **\$7,500**  
potential Federal tax incentive<sup>3</sup>

**Up to \$10,000 in Total Savings!**

Additional state and local benefits may also be available<sup>3</sup>

## More Range, More Power, More Confidence

### Join us in making a difference.

As part of our effort to accelerate transportation alternatives throughout the United States, Nissan North America, Inc. is offering eligible customers and employees of **CPS Energy** a special opportunity to purchase the 100% electric Nissan LEAF®. Take advantage of these special rebate offers<sup>2</sup> and potential federal, state, and local benefits<sup>3</sup> that may be available to you!

### How to get this exclusive offer:

Simply bring to your participating Nissan dealership (i) a copy of this flyer, (ii) proof of eligible residency, and (iii) your current monthly electric bill with CPS Energy or employee id.<sup>3</sup> Must be presented at the time of purchase. This exclusive offer expires **September 30, 2019**.

Footnotes on back

See your local participating Nissan Dealer for complete details: [NissanUSA.com/nissandealeters](http://NissanUSA.com/nissandealeters)

# Looking for An Opportunity to Serve Your Community?



The District 6 Office is currently seeking applicants to fill Boards and Commissions vacancies. Applications will be reviewed on a rolling basis.

Transportation Advisory Board

City Commission on Veterans Affairs

Citizens' Environmental Advisory Committee

San Antonio Housing Trust

City of San Antonio Higher Education Student Advisory Board (College students only)

[Click here to apply today!](#)

## Free Fun at San Antonio Libraries August 16-18



### **Guerra Chess Club**

Guerra Branch Library (7978 Military Dr. W., 78227)

Friday, August 16

3 – 5pm

Kids, Teens, Adults, Family, Seniors, All Ages

Chess is a great game for all ages. Join our group each Friday to learn about the game and to meet other chess players.

### **Quilting with the GNW Library Bee**

Great Northwest Branch Library (9050 Wellwood, 78250)

Saturday, August 17

10am – 12pm

### **Explore Opera!**

Guerra Branch Library (7978 Military Dr. W., 78227)

Saturday, August 17



2 – 3pm  
Sunday, August 18

### I Heart Vinyl

Potranco Branch Library (8765 State Hwy. 151, #102, 78245)

Saturday, August 17

All Day

This day-long event showcases Potranco Branch Library's stellar collection of classic and contemporary vinyl.

## VIA and ATD Public Hearing on Proposed FY2020 Budget

VIA Metropolitan Transit and the Advanced Transportation District will be hosting a Public Hearing to receive comments on the proposed operating budgets for Fiscal Year 2019-2020 (October 1, 2019 through September 30, 2020). VIA staff will present the proposed operating budgets and receive comments on:

### Thursday, September 5, 2019

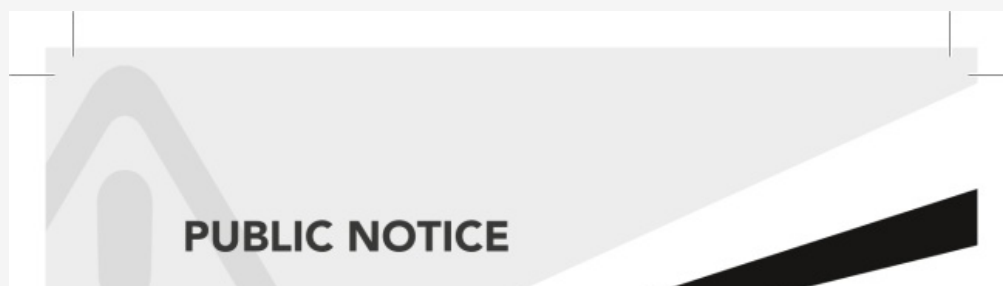
5:30 p.m. Doors Open | 6:00 p.m. Public Hearing

VIA Metro Center (Board Room)

1021 San Pedro

San Antonio, Texas, 78212

Copies of the draft budget documents will be available upon request until **September 13, 2019**, at VIA's Corporate Communications Office located at 123 N. Medina, from 8:00 a.m. to 4:45 p.m. Monday through Friday and all VIA's Transit Centers, see link for locations: <https://www.viainfo.net/transit-centers/>. Copies of the draft budgets are also available on VIA's website, [www.viainfo.net](http://www.viainfo.net), and comments may be submitted online as well.





# Save Energy to Avoid Higher Electric Bills



Hotter temperatures have prompted a statewide heat advisory, and in San Antonio, temperatures are expected to hover at or above 100 degrees for the next week.

Despite this, CPS Energy customers can stay comfortable while also saving energy and money. As the highest energy demand typically happens between 3 and 7 p.m., CPS Energy is urging customers to take action to reduce their energy consumption.

Here are some tips to help customers keep their bills manageable:

- Set thermostats 2 to 3 degrees higher from 3-7 p.m.; set programmable thermostats to higher temperatures when no one is home. The optimum energy saving temperature is 78 degrees.
- Use fans to feel 4 to 6 degrees cooler.
- Set pool pumps to run early morning or overnight; shut off from 4-6 p.m.
- Turn off and unplug non-essential lights and appliances.
- Avoid using large appliances (i.e. ovens, washing machines, etc.), especially during peak demand hours.

Customers can also follow the tips below to make sure they stay safe during this heat wave:

- Hydrate. Drink plenty of water even if you don't feel thirsty.
- Stay in air-conditioned areas, if possible. The City of San Antonio has multiple cooling centers open throughout the



area that can be used.

- If you must be outside, take breaks often in shaded areas.
- Wear a hat, as well as lightweight and loose-fitting clothing when possible.

The utility's goal is to make sure customers stay safe and keep energy consumption low during peak times. This ultimately helps CPS Energy's continuous effort to ensure all customers have reliable and affordable service.

## **COSA Office of Emergency Management (SAOEM) Invites Public to Citizen Preparedness Workshop**



You are invited to attend the 10th Annual Citizen Preparedness Workshop on September 14, 2019 from 8:30 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. at the San Antonio Office of Emergency Management (SAOEM). The purpose of this event is to equip citizens with the confidence, skills, and tools you need to recover after an emergency.

Representatives from City Departments and other support organizations will be available to discuss topics such as debris disposal, animal care during an emergency, power outages, and severe weather.

A light breakfast will be served. For additional information about the workshop, contact Ashley Carter at [ashley.carter@sanantonio.gov](mailto:ashley.carter@sanantonio.gov).

Registration: <https://www.eventbrite.com/e/10th-annual-citizen-preparedness-workshop-registration-65271914052>

\*\*This meeting site is wheelchair accessible. The accessible entrance and accessible visitor parking spaces are located on 8039 Challenger Drive, San Antonio, Texas 78235. Auxiliary Aids and Services are available upon request. ASL interpreters will be provided at the event. For assistance, call 210-206-8551.

## Technology Access Program at Goodwill Services of SA

**BACK TO SCHOOL SALE!**

July 22nd - August 31st

**REFURBISHED LAPTOPS**  
Dell Latitude Models e6530 and e6540  
**\$185**

**DELL LATITUDE E6530 & E6540**  
Windows 10 Pro, Core i5, 2 x 2GB RAM, 320 GB HDD  
Supplies limited.

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# VIA Visiting Your Neighborhood

VIA Metropolitan Transit is in the process of reaching out to Neighborhood and Homeowners Associations requesting to speak and provide general information regarding their services.

Interested in having them join your meeting?

Contact VIA at [gcr@viainfo.net](mailto:gcr@viainfo.net) or call (210) 362-2389.

A graphic featuring a red and white VIA bus driving on a road that curves through a cityscape. The background is a mix of red and white geometric shapes. Text is overlaid on the red sections.

**VIA** would like to speak at your next Neighborhood or Homeowners Association Meeting!

**TO REQUEST A SPEAKER**

Please contact us at [gcr@viainfo.net](mailto:gcr@viainfo.net) or 210-362-2389.

**VIA**

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